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**PATENT APPLICATION
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

HIBINO

Attorney Docket No. 100021-09042

Application Serial No. 09/444,388

Group Art Unit: 1655

Filing Date: November 22, 1999

Examiner: J. Souaya

For: **PROCESS FOR OBTAINING PLANT DNA FRAGMENTS AND USE
THEREOF**

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Petition for Extension of Time

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

February 24, 2003

Sir:

Applicants petition for an extension of time for three months for response to the outstanding Office Action dated August 23, 2002 from November 23, 2002 to February 24, 2003 (February 23, 2003 falling on a Sunday).

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Nine hundred and thirty (\$930.00) dollars for the extension fee, any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 01-2300 referencing Client Matter No. 100021-09042.

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